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1. The Bulgarian Infantry Regiment includes an administrative battalion, which is organized as follows:
 - a. A communications platoon: two squads (telephone-wireless), with 20 kilometers of cable and four stations.
 - b. A mechanized platoon.
 - c. A mechanized artillery battery on chain-drawn vehicles with seven 76 mm. Zis artillery guns.
 - d. A heavy mortar battery: four 122 mm. mortars.
 - e. An anti-aircraft machine-gun battery: six machine-guns, 12.7 mm. caliber.
 - f. An anti-tank battery: four artillery guns, 50 mm. caliber, drawn by vehicles.
 - g. An artillery unit: four 47 mm. guns drawn by vehicles.
2. The three infantry battalions of a Bulgarian regiment are each organized as follows:
 - a. An administrative company:
 - 1) Telephone platoon, about 30 men.
 - 2) Mortar company, nine 81 mm. mortars, Soviet type.
 - 3) Anti-tank artillery platoon, four 47 mm. guns.
 - 4) Automatic weapons platoon.
 - b. Three rifle companies, each including:
 - 1) An administrative squad of five to six men with two 14 mm. anti-tank rifles.
 - 2) Three infantry platoons of 45 men each with three Czech Bren machine-guns, which are being replaced by the Soviet Degtyarov type.

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c. A machine-gun company:

- 1) Machine-gun platoons have three to four Maxim Soviet type machine-guns each.

d. A transportation unit which includes vehicles for supplying battalions with fire-fighting units and other equipment.

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